1	2	3	4	5	6	7
15.	Maharashtra	41095	40351			744
16.	Manipur	2315	2043	4		268
17.	Meghalaya	5782	3016	474		2292
18.	Mizoram	707	691			16
19.	Nagaland	1278	1216			62
20.	Orissa	47529	37663			9866
21.	Punjab	12278	12278			0
22.	Rajasthan	39753	37276	204	230	2043
23.	Sikkim	450	405			45
24.	Tamil Nadu	15400	15400			0
25.	Tripura	858	818	1		39
26.	Uttar Pradesh	97942	57042	1516	7503	31881
27.	Uttaranchal	15761	13131	466	87	2077
28.	West Bengal	37945	31705	641	352	5247
	TOTAL (States)	592857	473287	3866	9819	105885
	TOTAL UTs	875	875	0	0	0
	ALL INDIA	593732	474162	3866	9819	105885

Source : Office of Registrar General & CEA.

Power projects in the Country

2036. SHRI MATILAL SARKAR: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) the number of power projects in the country which are now under construction, project-wise and State-wise;

(b) the category of the projects;

(c) when the Monarchak gas-based power project of Tripura was sanctioned, its construction works were started and the funds spent so far; and

(d) the present position of the Monarchak project?

THE MINISTER OF POWER (SHRI SUSHILKUMAR SHINDE): (a) and (b) At present, generation projects aggregating over 40,500 MW are under implementation. The details of these projects are given in the Annexure (*See* Appendix 208, Annexure No. 7).

(c) and (d) Monarchak Gas based power project of Tripura was not accorded investment approval due to non availability of gas for this project and in view of the advantages of economy of scale in setting up of Palatana Project (750 MW) in Tripura.

Increase in power cuts

2037. SHRI S. ANBALAGAN: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the duration of power cuts has increased dramatically during the last three months;

(b) if so, the State-wise details thereof and the reasons therefor;

(c) whether the Union Government propose to chalk out any long-term plan to tackle the worsening power situation in the country; and

(d) if so, the details thereof including the quantity of power production in the country, State-wise, and the projection, for next five years and the gap in the production and demand?

THE MINISTER OF POWER (SHRI SUSHILKUMAR SHINDE): (a) and (b) There has been overall shortage of power in the country during the current summer season except for some States. The shortages vary from State to State, month to month and hour to hour. The load shedding and power cuts are imposed by the respective distribution companies/ electricity boards depending on their power requirement and availability. The power demand of a State is met from its own generation, allocation from Central Sector Generating stations and through bi-lateral short-term arrangement. The main reason for short supply of power is increase in demand for power outstripping, the increase in availability of power. The details of notified power cuts during last three months (May-July, 2006) are given in the enclosed Statement-I (*See* below).

(c) Yes, Sir. National Electricity Policy, *inter-alia*, envisages that demand of power be fully met by 2012 and that energy and peaking shortages be overcome with 5% spinning reserve being available. States have been accordingly advised to create adequate generation capacity to fully meet the growing demand of electricity. Central Government on its part has geared up its Central Sector Undertakings to enhance their generating capacity. Strengthening of national grid has also been planned